

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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VIOLATION OF SAFETY NORMS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a private airline tried to adjust six adults by asking parents to carry children on their laps as reported in `The Times of India` on March 9, 2007;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the authorities against the private airlines who violated the basic air safety norms?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) & (b): M/s Air Deccan operated flights No.DN-727 Patna-Delhi with 188 passengers which was 8 more than the capacity of the A320 aircraft.

(C): Explanation of the operator on the matter has been asked for. Further action will be contemplated on the basis of the report.